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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known **TRANSMITTAL** 09/825618-Conf. #3283 **Application Number** April 3, 2001 Filing Date for FY 2004 First Named Inventor Robert Ciaff Effective 10/01/2003, Patent fees are subject to annual revision. **Examiner Name** R. Bradford Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 3762 Art Unit FHW-076 TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT Attorney Docket No. (\$) 63.00 FEE CALCULATION (continued) METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) 3. ADDITIONAL FEES Check Order x Deposit Account: Large Entity Small Entity Deposit 12-0080 Fee Account Fee Description Code (\$) (\$) Code Fee Paid Number Deposit 65 1051 130 2051 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath Lahive & Cockfield, LLP Account Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover 1052 50 2052 25 The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply) sheet X Charge fee(s) indicated below X Credit any overpayments 1053 1053 130 130 Non-English specification Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) 1812 2.520 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination Requesting publication of SIR prior to 1804 920* 1804 920* Examiner action Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Requesting publication of SIR after to the above-identified deposit account. 1805 1,840 1805 1.840 Extension for reply within first month **FEE CALCULATION** 1251 110 2251 1252 420 2252 210 Extension for reply within second month 1. BASIC FILING FEE Small Entity 1253 950 2253 Extension for reply within third month Large Entity 475 Fee **Fee Description** Fee Paid Fee Fee 1254 1,480 2254 Extension for reply within fourth month 740 (\$) C 1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee 1255 2.010 2255 Extension for reply within fifth month 1401 1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee 2401 Notice of Appeal 1402 2402 Filing a brief in support of an appeal 1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee 330 2004 385 Reissue filing fee 1403 290 2403 Request for oral hearing 1004 770 1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee 1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding 1452 2452 Petition to revive - unavoidable 110 55 SUBTOTAL (1) 0.00 (\$) 1453 2453 1,330 665 Petition to revive - unintentional 1501 1,330 2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue) 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE 1502 480 2502 240 Design issue fee Fee Paid Claims below **Total Claims** 31 -24** = 7 9.00 63.00 1503 640 2503 320 Plant issue fee Independent 1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner 5 0.00

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In re the application of: Robert Ciaff

Serial No.: 09/825,618

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the above-titled patent application as follows.

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Group Art Unit: 3762

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700 In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003 (Paper No.8), Applicants hereby provisionally elects Claim 3.

The Examiner also requested that the Applicants elect a species. Applicants hereby elect Embodiment 2, identified on page 3 of the Office Action, as "an apparatus for the manipulation of tissue".

Applicants' election is made without prejudice. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to not more than two species in addition to the elected species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.146.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. FHW-076 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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